June 23, 2016

FCC Office of the Secretary 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington, DC 20554

# To Whom It May Concern:

This letter of appeal is filed in response to the Administrator's Decision on Appeal for Invoice Deadline Extension Request dated April 29<sup>th</sup> (see page 5). I am requesting an Invoice Deadline Extension for the following FRN's: 2691792, 2691762, and 2687624.

Billed Entity Name
USD 230 Spring Hill
137601
Form 471 Application Number
Funding Year
USD 230 Spring Hill
137601
984399
2014 (July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015)

Funding Request Number 2691792

Service Provider Name
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company
143004662

USAC-assigned Invoice Number: 2278616 Funding Commitment Decision: \$1,215.00

Funding Request Number 2691762

Service Provider Name

CenturyLink Corporation (FKA Embarq)

Service Provider Identification Number

143019614

USAC-assigned Invoice Number: 2278618 Funding Commitment Decision: \$1,215.00

Funding Request Number 2687624

Service Provider Name CenturyLink Corporation (FKA Embarq)

Service Provider Identification Number

USAC-assigned Invoice Number:

Funding Commitment Decision:

143019614

2278614

\$11,880.00

Reason for FRN Extension Request: see following

Dear Madam or Sir:

On October 27, 2015 I attempted to create and submit my BEAR forms online for the year. I made a mistake and stopped short of actually submitting the form. I did this for 5 FRN's. Thankfully I had a service provider catch one of my errors and asked the USAC for an extension that was granted. I appealed the other 4 to the USAC. What I found interesting is that one of my appeals was granted by USAC (page 2), but my other 3 were denied (page 3).

The service providers are more than willing to process my BEAR forms if you would be willing to grant an Invoice Deadline Extension. I apologize for my error and I hope that you will consider my request.

Sincerely,

Doug Schwinn

Director of Business

USD 230 Spring Hill

101 E South St

Spring Hill, KS 66083

(913)592-7204

schwinn@usd230.org

## The FRN that was approved

### deadline@sl.universalservice.org

to me

This serves as acknowledgement and approval of your request for your one-time 120 day invoice deadline extension for the following FRNs:

#### 2691732

Since this serves as approval, an invoice requesting payment must be submitted so that it is postmarked no later than the date found on the USAC website within the Search Tools in order for your request to be considered as timely filed. If you are resubmitting a Form 472, please remember that you should forward the form to the Service Provider as soon as possible to ensure sufficient time to process your request. The invoice should be submitted in accordance with the instructions that are posted in the SLD Forms area of the SLD web site at <a href="www.sl.universalservice.org">www.sl.universalservice.org</a> or are available by contacting the SLD Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100.

Thank you for your continued support of and participation in the E-rate program.

Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company

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# The three FRN's that were denied

deadline@sl.universalservice.org <deadline@sl.universalservice.org>

Wed, Jan 27, 2016 at 3:04 PM

To: schwinn@usd230.org

This serves as acknowledgement and dismissal of your request for a deadline extension for the following FRNs:

2687624 2691762 2691792

Current deadline extension rules and procedures do not allow approval for the reason submitted.

#### TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal the decision indicated in this letter, your appeal must be POSTMARKED within 60 days of the above date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

- 1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address (if available) for the person who can most discuss this appeal with us.
- 2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Identify which Administrative Decision you are appealing. Indicate the relevant funding year and the date of this letter. Your letter of appeal must also include the Billed Entity Name, the Form 471 Application Number, and the SLD Invoice Number from the top of your letter.
- 3. When explaining your appeal, copy the language or text from this letter that is at the heart of your appeal to allow the SLD to more readily understand your appeal and respond appropriately. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep copies of your correspondence and documentation.
- 4. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

If you are submitting your appeal on paper, please send your appeal to: Letter of Appeal, Schools and Libraries Division, 30 Lanidex Plaza West, PO Box 685, Parsippany, NJ 07054-0685. Additional options for filing an appeal can be found in the "Appeals Procedure" posted in the Reference Area of the SLD web site or by contacting the Client Service Bureau. We encourage the use of either the e-mail or fax filing options.

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# Universal Service Administrative Company

Schools & Libraries Division

# Administrator's Decision on Appeal – Funding Year 2014-2015

April 29, 2016

Doug Schwinn Spring Hill Unif Sch Dist 230 101 E South St Spring Hill, KS 66083

Re: Applicant Name:

SPRING HILL UNIF SCH DIST 230

Billed Entity Number:

137601

Form 471 Application Number:

984399

Funding Request Number(s):

2687624, 2691762, 2691792

Your Correspondence Dated:

March 22, 2016

After thorough review and investigation of all relevant facts, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's Funding Year 2014 Administrator's Decision on Invoice Deadline Extension Request Letter for the Application Number indicated above. This letter explains the basis of USAC's decision. The date of this letter begins the 60 day time period for appealing this decision. If your Letter of Appeal included more than one Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate letter for each application.

<u>Funding Request Number(s)</u>:

2687624, 2691762, 2691792

Decision on Appeal:

Denied

Explanation:

• FCC rules require that Invoice Deadline Extension requests be filed by the end of the relevant invoice receipt period for the service category of the FRN requiring an extension. The invoice receipt deadline is 120 days after the end of the service delivery date or 120 days after the date of the Form 486 Notification Letter, whichever is later. USAC denied your request for Invoice Deadline Extension because the request was not filed in a timely manner.

Since your appeal was denied in full, dismissed or cancelled, you may file an appeal with the FCC. Your appeal must be postmarked within 60 days of the date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the

Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. Further information and options for filing an appeal directly with the FCC can be found under the Reference Area/"Appeals" of the SLD section of the USAC website or by contacting the Client Service Bureau. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options.

We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

Schools and Libraries Division Universal Service Administrative Company